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BIRTHS.

At Hongkong, on the 1st January, 1890, the wife of W. HOWELL, of a son.
At the Central Hotel, Shanghai, on the 3rd instant, the wife of J. WILSON, New Dock, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

At the Cathedral, Shanghai, on New Year's Day, ALICE MAUDE SARTAIN to WILLIAM HENRY FREEMAN, both of London.
On the 4th instant, at H.B.M.'s Consulate-General, Shanghai, and afterwards at the residence of the Rev. S. Dyer, FREDERICK WILLIAM RAWSTHORN, to MARY (MAY) KILKEN.

DEATH.

At 36, Kiangse Road, Road, Shanghai, on the 6th January, 1890, JOHN GEORGE THIRKELL, aged 37 years.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 1890.

TELEGRAMS.

PORTUGAL AND ENGLAND.
LONDON, January 10th.

The Portuguese Minister for Marine and Colonies disputes the statement that England presents difficulties, and says it is not necessary to ask for an extraordinary credit as he has hopes of a peaceful settlement.

THE EPIDEMIC.

The Aldershot barracks rooms have been converted into hospitals, as influenza is spreading alarmingly.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

ACCORDING to a paper read at a congress at Strasburg, 32 per cent of railway passengers in Prussia travel fourth class, 21 per cent third class, 20.5 second and only 8.9 first.

THE agents (Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.) inform us that the "Ben" Line steamer *Benlawers*, from Leith and London, left Singapore for Hongkong and Japan this morning.

THE greatest beer-drinkers are those of Munich. They drink 492 litres per head per year, against Vienna's 296, London's 254, Berlin's 240 and Paris' 22. This costs the Munich inhabitants on an average \$30 a head annually.

TO-MORROW morning between 9 and 10.30 o'clock the steam-launch carrying the Bethel flag, will call alongside any vessel hoisting code pennant C, to convey men ashore to 11 a.m. service at St. Peter's Seamen's Church, returning about 12.30.

CREMATION is coming more and more into vogue in Germany, in spite of the expense and certain legal difficulties which render its performance in some parts almost an impossibility. At Gotha no fewer than 100 bodies have been cremated during the present year.

THE *N. C. Daily News* says that the price at which the *Kuling* has been sold to the Inspector-General of Customs is £18,000, and no conditions have been made as to the Upper Yangtze. Company's giving up its attempt to reach Chungking or otherwise.

THE Shanghai Racquet Club has wound up, the Court having been sold to a Chinaman for Tls. 20,000. At a final meeting of the shareholders on the 7th inst. they voted \$200 as a "cushaw" to the servants, and divided the loot as follows:—\$ Tls. 120, value of each share; Tls. 277 as a final dividend.

THERE are at present not less than forty-five European steamers trading monthly to the Argentine Republic. Twelve are English, two German, nine Belgian, twelve French and Portuguese, six Spanish and four Italian. As against this formidable array of steamers carrying the flags of seven European nations, there is not a single steamer carrying into Argentine waters the flag of the United States!

THE Band of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders will play the following programme at the Barrack Square, this evening, commencing at 7 o'clock:—

March "Nannie with thou gang wi me" Waken Lancers. "Faust up to date" Lutz Value. "A summer night in Munich" Cellier Polka. "See me dance" Solomon Quindville. "Olympia" Williams Galop. "Always Jolly" Zikoff

THE case of the "baby farmer" and her antagonist, the mothers and vendor of the one-month old infant, mentioned in last night's issue, were treated in a manner rather the reverse of what we expected this morning, at the Police Court. Mr. Robinson, who tried the case, dealt with the matter merely as one of "creating a disturbance," dismissed the "farmer" with a caution, and bound the mother of the infant over in her own recognizances in the sum of \$50 to be of good behavior for six months! Now what became of the infant?

LOVE is an excuse for a woman to tell you all her troubles.—The greatest of all poetry is a girl's first love letter.—Landladies are famous gossipers; they pay great attention to roomers. It is considered a pretty serious charge to bring against a woman to say that she means all she says.—Poor woman; if her husband sneezes he wakens the baby, and if the baby cries it wakens him.—A sulky girl may sometimes be cured by taking her in a dog-cart with a seat just wide enough for two.—An old maid said she wished she was an auctioneer, for then it would be perfectly proper to say "Make me an offer."

LATEST advices from Japan state that the long-awaited change of Cabinet Ministers has at last taken place, and Count Yamagata is now Minister President of State. Both Count Okuma and Count Inouye have been honoured by His Imperial Majesty, as Counts Ito and Kuroda were upon their retiring from the Government, with the rank of Cabinet Ministers. The former was in addition gazetted a Privy Councillor, and the latter to a special court position (*Yakonomashiko*), the occupants of which, prior to the present appointment, have been exclusively members of the old nobility.

Sir Edward Watkin has, on behalf of the Metropolitan Railway Company, offered the manager of the Water Railway a piece of ground near London on which to lay down a line two miles in length, says the *London Spectator*. We shall, therefore, soon have an opportunity to try what, if the accounts are true, must be the very poetry of motion. The carriages run on skates or sliders, but between the slide and the rail is forced a film of water, which prevents all jolting, bumping and shaking, and, in fact, makes the carriages skim along as a boat does on the sea. Then, too, the pace is 100 miles an hour. If the new railway is really practicable for long distances, all England will be a suburb of London, and Surrey will be saved from becoming a chessboard, covered with what the auctioneers call "villa residences standing in their own three acres and a half of park-like grounds." A hundred miles an hour would make Bath as accessible as Brighton is now, while Manchester could be reached in an hour and fifty minutes.

THE population of Berlin has increased wonderfully during the past ten years. It now exceeds a million and a half.

THE Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Hibernia*, from Liverpool, left Singapore for Hongkong this morning, and is due on the 18th inst.

DR. DOBRUCK will have his little joke. In his weather report to-day the facetious star-gazer remarks that "cloudy, cold, and dry weather prevails." The dryness was so unbearable on this side of the line that the cricketers were swamped off the ground, that is all.

We learn with regret of the death of Mr. J. G. Thirkell, proprietor and editor of the *Shanghai Courier*, which occurred on the 6th inst., after a long and painful illness. He had been connected with the press of North China for thirteen years, and was a thorough journalist and a good Mason. He leaves a widow and two young children.

VACCINATION is compulsory in England and optional in France. In the large cities of France the number of deaths from small-pox was 1,965, or 31 per 1,000 of the living population. In the large cities of England during the same period the number of deaths was 332, or 0.4 per 1,000. Does not this, asks the *Hospital*, say something for vaccination?

THE practice on the Shanghai Football Club ground on the 4th inst. was not quite a success, as after half an hour's play, under Association rules, between the captains by Matthews and Harvie, the ball collapsed, and there not being another of the same kind at hand the teams wound up with an eccentric kind of Rugby game, which, if not scientific, had the merit of affording good exercise.

THE Deutsche Handelsschiffahrt gives this table of costs of the European armies:—

Countries.	Payment per head of population for national defence—shillings.	Percentage of revenue expended on national defence—shillings.
1. Prussia	9.10	12.40
2. Austria	7.96	12.11
3. Italy	10.73	15.78
4. France	16.66	17.10
5. Great Britain	16.92	19.27
6. Russia	8.54	25.44

The mightiest of the six great powers, from a military point of view, pays the least for defences.

THE *Shanghai Mercury* learns that there has been a serious popular outbreak in the Yuen-wo district, near Sonchow. It appears that the District Magistrate lately endeavoured to collect from the country people, taxes which had been remitted by Imperial decree in consequence of the scanty harvest. The action of the Magistrate greatly incensed the people, who attacked his vanguard, dragged him out, and administered to him a sound drubbing. They afterwards took him away to hold him for further vengeance, but he was rescued from the infuriated people by his yamen-runners.

"If ever you use lemons," remarked one housewife to a lady friend, "and have a portion of one left over, be sure you do not throw it away." "I am never without them in the house, as I always use them for flavouring. But of what use are the pieces?" "Just this. The next time you think you have done with a lemon just dip it in salt and rub your copper kettle or steppan with it. You will be surprised to find what a brilliant surface you will obtain if you rub the article instantly with a dry, soft cloth. You can polish all brass-work by the same means, every stain disappearing as if by magic. A mouldy lemon put into a dirty saucepan full of water and boiled for half an hour cleanses the utensils amazingly, and removes any odour such as fish or onions. Try it and see if I am not right."

POLICE SHOOTING MATCH.

The return shooting match between teams representing the Inspectors and Sergeants, and the Constables of the Hongkong Police Force, took place yesterday afternoon. The conditions were fairly favorable, but either the wind or the whiskey was too strong, for neither side made anything special in the way of scoring, the Constables being extremely off-color. The winning team total, at 300, 300 and 300 yards was 700, or an average of 74 out of a possible 105, whilst their opponents totalled only 836, or an average of 69. Yet, on the 30th November, the Volunteers, at 200, 400 and 500 yards, averaged 81.87, and the Garrison Shooting Club 79.75, under less favorable conditions. The scores of the guardians of the peace were as follows:—

INSPECTORS AND SERGEANTS.	300 yards.	400 yards.	500 yards.	Total.
Insp. Quinlan	85	85	85	255
Serg. Gilroy	85	85	85	255
" McVicar	85	85	85	255
" Fidd	85	85	85	255
" Kemp	85	85	85	255
" Doreen	85	85	85	255
" Harman	85	85	85	255
" Horlock	85	85	85	255
" Walsh	85	85	85	255
" Robertson	85	85	85	255
" Eason	85	85	85	255
Total	945	945	945	2835

CONSTABLES.	300 yards.	400 yards.	500 yards.	Total.
P.C. McEneaney	75	75	75	225
" Watson	75	75	75	225
" Canny	75	75	75	225
" Gray	75	75	75	225
" Young	75	75	75	225
" McDonald	75	75	75	225
" McLeod	75	75	75	225
" Wilson	75	75	75	225
" Castle	75	75	75	225
" Walsh	75	75	75	225
" Baker	75	75	75	225
Total	825	825	825	2475

Doctors say drinking too much coffee makes bad heads. Telling the female head of the house that her coffee is "nothing but slops" will also do it.

THE DIOCESAN HOME.

The annual distribution of prizes at the Diocesan Home took place at noon to-day. The Hon. A. P. MacEwen presided, and among those present were Bishop Burdon, Revs. Dr. Chalmers, W. Jennings, G. H. Bondfield, Pastor Hartmann, Messrs. E. Sharp, O. Brandt, and a number of ladies.

Mr. Piercy, the head-master, read his report, which was as follows:—

The year has been a very successful and prosperous one. With the exception of some cases of fever, the health of the Institution has been good; both the second and third masters, however, have been so ill that they had to enter the Civil Hospital, and the latter has since left the Colony. The school-roll, including 20 girls, numbered 143, being an increase of 18. The fees collected amounted to \$7,651.84, an advance of nearly 21 per cent. The sum for school materials sold has more than doubled, being \$326.8. The average attendance on the 740 days on which school was taught has risen from 68.83 to 88.64. Sixty-three scholars had the minimum Government requirement (200 days); one was away in the country on the Inspector's visit; one is of deficient intellect; six had passed the highest standard one, two three or four years previously, and so, being ineligible for Grant-in-Aid purposes, prepare for University Local Examinations. The remaining 55 (last year 50) were examined by H. M.'s Inspector of Schools 154 papers, or 0.4 per cent. The year for school materials sold has more than doubled, being \$326.8. The average attendance on the 740 days on which school was taught has risen from 68.83 to 88.64. Sixty-three scholars had the minimum Government requirement (200 days); one was away in the country on the Inspector's visit; one is of deficient intellect; six had passed the highest standard one, two three or four years previously, and so, being ineligible for Grant-in-Aid purposes, prepare for University Local Examinations. The remaining 55 (last year 50) were examined by H. M.'s Inspector of Schools 154 papers, or 0.4 per cent.

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Mr. MacEwen then distributed the prizes as under:—

Form VI, Seniors (1) F. Southey, "Macaulay's History"; (2) Chew Fan-lin, "Self Help."
Form VI, Juniors (1) R. Lapsley, "Boys' Own Annual"; (2) F. H. Benning, "Boys' of '61."
Form V, (1) Wong Fung-lam, "Captain Cook's Voyage"; (2) J. Goodridge, "Crickets and Ball."
Form IV, (1) L. J. Malcampo, "Australian Pictures"; (2) A. Simoes, "Robinson Crusoe."
Form III, (1) Wong Mau-lam, "Every Boy's Annual"; (2) Wong Wan-on, "Arabian Nights."
Form II, (1) Elizabeth Scudder, "Atlantis"; (2) W. Leung, "Chatterbox."
Form I, (1) Kong Ying-pui, "Illustrated Dictionary"; (2) Catherine Lygan, "Bible Pictures."

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Ecclesi.
Form VI, R. Lapsley, "Shakespeare."
Form V, F. Lapsley, "Robin Hood."
Form IV, H. Goodridge, "Mathematical Instruments."
Algebra.
Form VI, Chew Fan-lin, "Electricity."
Form V, Wong Fung-lam, "Self Help."
Form IV, Lau Ping-ki, "Webster's Dictionary."

Physiology.

Form VI, W. Toller, "Innocents Abroad."
Form V, J. Goodridge, "Silver Watch."
Form IV, A. Simoes, "Black Trooper."

Physical Geography.

Form VI, H. W. Lapsley, "Silver Watch."
Form V, W. Wanderleach, "Crickets and Ball."
Form IV, H. Goodridge, "Drinks and the Dons."
Literature and Shakespeare—H. W. Lapsley, "Shakespeare."

Music—J. Toppin, "Ingoldsby Legends."

Needlework—Jessie Edwards, "Little White Awake."

Good Conduct—Lo Kwal-kun (Boarder), "Warrior Kings"; Mary Howard (Day Scholar), "My Own Picture Book."

VI Standard Certificates: F. H. Benning, T. Hunter.

SCRIPTURE PRIZES AWARDED BY THE REV. W. JENNINGS.

Form VI, (1) F. Southey, "Scott's Poems"; (2) F. H. Benning, "Ernest Hepburns";
Form V, (1) V. Bona, "Modern Wonders"; (2) Hung So, "City Arab";
Form IV, (1) M. Andrews, "Crown of Flowers"; (2) H. Dierks, "Race for Life";
Form III, (1) Wong Mau-lam, "Bible Stories"; (2) F. Simon, "Children's Friends";
Form II, (1) Elizabeth Scudder, "Bible Tales"; (2) F. Harman, "Talkative Friends";

Form I, (1) G. Benning, "Little Learners"; (2) Chan Kwok-lin, "Lords of the Forest."

UNIVERSITY LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

Oxford, Senior, F. Southey, Vice-Chancellor's Certificate; Writing Case, presented by Hon. A. P. MacEwen.

Oxford, Junior, Chew Tan-lin.
Cambridge, Juniors, F. Southey, J. Toppin, H. W. Lapsley, F. Diercks.

He then addressed those present as follows:—I think that the report which you have just heard read is in every way most satisfactory, and I am sure it will give great pleasure to the friends of this in every way deserving institution in this Colony to see such very successful results at the recent examination, more particularly when you come to take into account that two of the masters have been incapacitated by illness during the past term, and therefore the great bulk of the work and responsibility of the management has fallen on the shoulders of Mr. and Mrs. Piercy. This institution, like many others that are dependent to a certain extent on charity, is in want of money for a purpose which I have been asked by the Committee to give you some particulars of. I hope that some practical efforts will be made to increase this building—the object for which funds are required. The facts presented to the Committee are as follows:—

"The applications for the admission of boarders last summer being more than we could receive, the Committee in October rented a neighbouring house No. 5 Bonham Road. Seven boys sleep there under the care of a Master, but are here all day for instruction and meals. The division of the establishment is, both very inconvenient and costly, although our landlord, Mr. Bellis, has acted generously as regards repairs, alterations, and water-supply for such a temporary tendency. An architect has kindly drawn plans for the much-needed large school-rooms and additional dormitories, at an estimated cost of \$8000. Although the Government would, under the Grant-in-Aid Scheme, probably provided half of this, the Committee are unable to begin building for want of the other \$4000. This school was opened as a charitable institution in January 1879, and while receiving boys and girls whose parents can and do pay the full fees, the charitable principle has ever been kept in view, and I may say that for many years no real case of need has been refused admission, although great care has to be exercised to ascertain that each case is one of genuine necessity. When friends can pay a part of the cost they are expected to do so; when the child is utterly destitute he is received free. While the sum received in subscriptions has remained about the same, the charitable work has tripled in ten years, the deficiency being borne by the fees. It is most desirable that the Institution should be placed on a self-supporting basis, but to do this will not diminish the charitable work, it will be necessary to have a larger building, thereby saving the rent (\$50 a month) of the other house, and providing additional school-rooms, dining-room, lavatories &c., which have long been most urgently needed. We have land and the scholars, and only need the funds wherewith to build."

I believe that at this time last year, when General Cameron presided, he made a suggestion that a fund should be started, to be called the "Diocesan Home Building Fund," which would be altogether separate from the ordinary subscription fund to which people are asked to give every year. Now we know that in a Colony like this it is no use suggesting things unless you are prepared to give them practical working effect, and I am happy to say that during the few hours I have had since receiving this report I started a fund, to be called the "Diocesan Home Building Fund," and already a few names have been put down at \$100 each. (Applause.) This will at any rate make a commencement. And another idea has also struck me. Seeing that the A.D.C. of this Colony are always willing to support deserving charitable institutions such as this, I feel convinced that if the Committee were approached and asked to give a special performance of their very amusing pantomime for this object they would do so, or at any rate if they could not see their way to doing that they might be inclined to devote a portion of the proceeds over and above their expenses. I am glad that a fund has been started, and I am sure that when the object becomes known many others will come forward and subscribe towards it. It is satisfactory to know that the health of the school has been so good, during the year, when sickness has been so prevalent, and it speaks most highly for the care and attention that must have been bestowed on the scholars by the matron, Mrs. Piercy. It may be of some interest to you to know that when I was at home recently, I met someone who was born here, and educated at this school. She was in a family at home, and spoke gratefully of the kindness bestowed on her here. You must all determine like her, to succeed.

"If thou hast purposed aught within thy power be sure and do it."

Try and carry out some honorable and straightforward pursuit in life and you will succeed. I hope you will enjoy your holidays, and on behalf of the Committee I express our satisfaction at the general management.

Bishop Burdon thanked Mr. MacEwen for kindly attending, and his energy in starting the fund he had referred to. They had tried to do so on two previous occasions, and failed, but he believed the work would go on now, although the past year had been a somewhat disastrous one. If they could only get the new building they would add considerably to the value of the work they were carrying on, and deal with a good many more boys.

Cheers were then given for Mr. MacEwen, Bishop Burdon, the ladies, etc., and the proceedings terminated.

CRICKET.

H. K. C. C. v UNITED SERVICES.

The innings of the United Services' eleven commenced to-day, but, owing to the unfavorable nature of the weather, were not completed, play being suspended several times, and finally given up a little after three, when 128 had been compiled for three wickets. The scores were:—

UNITED SERVICES.

FIRST INNING.

Least Bats: Lowest Score

Least B

Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—198 per cent. premium, sales and buyers.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$103 per share, buyers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$73 per share, buyers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 350 per share, buyers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$130 per share.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 96 per share.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$400 per share, sales and buyers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$90 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—60 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$43 per share, sellers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—120 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Co's Six per cent. Debentures—\$101.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—124 per cent. dis., buyers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$64 per share, sellers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$224 per share, sellers.
 Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$72 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$110 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$90 per share.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$14 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$23 per share, premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—24 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. premium.
 Hong Kong Electric Light Co., Ltd.—\$104 per share, buyers.
 The Green Island Cement Co. (Old Issue)—\$43 per share, buyers.
 The Green Island Cement Co. (New Issue)—\$63 per share, buyers.
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$104 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Ltd.—\$4 per share, buyers.
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$30 per share, buyers.
 The West Point Buildings Co., Ltd.—\$46 per share, buyers.
 The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$20 per share, sellers.
 The Labuk Planting Co., Ltd.—\$25 per share, nominal.
 The Jelabu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$6 per share, buyers.
 The Selama Tin Mining Co., Ltd.—\$31 per share, buyers.
 The Shamen Hotel Co., Ltd.—\$5 per share, nominal.
 The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$16 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Marine, Limited—25 per cent. premium, buyers.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/11.

Bank Bills, on demand 3/11
 Bank Bills, at 30 days sight 3/11
 Bank Bills, at 4 months sight 3/11
 Credits at 4 months sight 3/11
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight 3/11

ON PARIS.—Bank, T. T. 3/11.

Bank Bills, on demand 3/11
 Credits, at 4 months sight 4/05
 On India, T. T. 2/20
 On Demand 2/21

ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T. 7/11.

Private, 30 days sight 7/11
 Private, 30 days sight 7/11

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritimes Co's steamer *Natal*, with the next French mail, left Singapore on the 9th instant at 6 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 16th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co's steamer *China*, with the American mail of 26th ultimo, left Yokohama for this port the 11th instant at noon and may be expected here on or about the 17th.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The F. & A. S. Co's steamer *Tannadice*, left Port Darwin on the 7th instant, and may be expected to arrive on the 17th.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific steamer *Abysinia*, from Vancouver, left Yokohama on the 7th inst. for Nagasaki and Hongkong.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The Ocean Steamship Co's steamer *Bellerophon*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 3rd instant, and is due here on the 11th.

The Glen' line steamer *Glenlyon*, from London, left Singapore on the 5th instant, and is due here on the 11th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co's extra steamer *Shanghai*, from London, left Singapore on the 5th instant at 6 a.m., and is expected here on the 11th.

The Ben' line steamer *Bengal*, left Singapore on the morning of the 7th instant, and is due here on the 11th.

The steamer *Breconshire*, from London, &c., left Singapore on the 7th instant, and is due here on the 11th.

The Ben' line steamer *Benlawers*, from Leith and London, left Singapore this morning (11th instant) for this and Japan ports.

The P. & O. S. N. Co's extra steamer *Kashgar* left Bombay for this port on the 28th ultimo.

The P. & O. S. N. Co's extra steamer *Bombay*, left London for this port on Saturday, the 28th ultimo.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

20th January, 1890.—At 4 p.m.

STATION.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.	Barometer.	State of Sky.
Wanchow	30.3	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Tokio	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Nagasaki	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Shanghai	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Amoy	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Hongkong	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Swatow	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Amoy	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Amoy	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Amoy	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy

11th January, 1890.—At 10 a.m.

STATION.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.	Barometer.	State of Sky.
Wanchow	30.3	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Tokio	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Nagasaki	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Shanghai	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Amoy	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Hongkong	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Swatow	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
Amoy	30.1	86	SW	30.1	Cloudy
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The barometer has fallen in China and gradients for north-east winds have increased. Cloudy, cold and dry weather prevails. Humidity reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths. Temperature in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit. Humidity in percentage of saturation. Direction of the wind in two points. Force of the wind according to Beaufort scale. Force of the wind in miles per hour. Direction of the wind in degrees. Force of the wind in miles per hour. Direction of the wind in degrees. Force of the wind in miles per hour.

Hongkong Observatory, 11th January, 1890.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Geo. Falconer & Co's Register.)

Barometer—3 A.M.	Thermometer—3 A.M.	Thermometer—6 A.M.	Thermometer—9 A.M.	Thermometer—12 M.	Thermometer—3 P.M.	Thermometer—6 P.M.	Thermometer—9 P.M.	Thermometer—11 P.M.	Thermometer—12 M.
30.1	30.1	30.1	30.1	30.1	30.1	30.1	30.1	30.1	30.1

Shipping.

INGRAM, German steamer, 84, Messmann, 10th Jan.—Singapore 7th Jan, Rice and Paddy, Wharf & Co.

YUEN-SANG, British steamer, 1,105, Slesner, 11th Jan.—Shanghai 7th Jan, and Swatow 10th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MONGKUT, British steamer, 860, Jas. Fowler, 11th Jan.—Bangkok 2nd Jan, Rice and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

NAMOA, British steamer, 861, T. G. Poon, 11th Jan.—Fuchow 8th Jan, Amoy 9th and Swatow 10th, General.—D. La-nick & Co.

AMOI, German steamer, 814, Th. Lehmann, 11th Jan.—Shanghai 8th Jan, General.—Stemmen & Co.

CHIN-YUEN, Chinese man-of-war, 7,300, Capt. Lin, 11th Jan.—Pescadore 8th Jan.

TING-YUEN, Chinese man-of-war, Captain Lee, 11th Jan.—Pescadore 8th Jan.

FORMOSA, British steamer, 674, T. Hall, 11th Jan.—Manila 8th Jan, General.—Russell & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
Catherine, Danish steamer, for Banda (Celebes).
Ingrian, German steamer, for Saigon.
Triumph, German steamer, for Nagasaki.
Kuonang, British steamer, for Fuchow.
Maria, German steamer, for Haiphong.
N. M. Slade, American bark, for New York.
Diamond, British steamer, for Amoy.
Amigo, German steamer, for Nagasaki.

DEPARTURES.
 January 11, *Satsuma*, British bark, for Takao.
 January 11, *Strathairn*, British ship, for San Francisco.

January 11, *Velocity*, British bark, for Honolulu.
 January 11, *Wandering Jew*, American ship, for New York.

January 11, *Venitia*, British ship, for Singapore.
 January 11, *Fushun*, Chinese ship, for Shanghai.
 January 11, *Kuonang*, British steamer, for Swatow &c.

January 11, *Tatchow*, British ship, for Bangkok.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.
 Per *Mongkut*, str., from Bangkok—Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Miss Kildock, and 147 Chinese.
 Per *Amoy*, str., from Fuchow, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. Nodd, Mr. and Miss Love, and 7 Chinese.
 Per *Yuen-Sang*, str., from Shanghai, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. Gosling, child and amah, Messrs. Peters, Roope, and 110 Chinese.
 Per *Ingrian*, str., from Saigon.—Mr. Wolf, and 3 Chinese.
 Per *Amoy*, str., from Shanghai.—Messrs. A. Fallon, T. S. Bradstreet, N. Postlethwaite, and 50 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The German steamship *Ingrian* reports that she left Saigon on the 7th instant. Had north-north-east gale up to Cape Varella; afterwards strong northerly wind and heavy sea.

The British steamship *Mongkut* reports that she left Amoy on the 2nd instant. Experienced moderate winds to Pulo Obi; from 20 north, had strong monsoon with high head sea; thence to port had moderate monsoon and fine weather.

The British steamship *Yuen-Sang* reports that she left Shanghai at noon on the 7th instant; arrived at Swatow on the 9th at 8 30 p.m. Left at 6 p.m. on the 10th; arrived at Hongkong at 9 a.m. on the 11th. From Shanghai to Swatow had moderate to fresh monsoon and clear weather. From Swatow to Hongkong had moderate east to east-north-east breeze and fine weather.

The British steamship *Namoa* reports that she left Fuchow on the 8th instant. Experienced moderate north-east winds and fine weather to Amoy. Left Amoy on the 9th, and Swatow on the 10th. From Amoy to Swatow had strong north-east winds and fine weather. From Swatow to port had moderate north-east winds with dull cloudy weather. In Amoy, the steamship *Amora*. In Swatow, the steamships *Meifoo*, *Chowfa*, *Pha Chom Kiao*, and *Canton*.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Toulon and Quilbon.—Per *Yohann*, to-morrow, the 12th instant, at 9.00 A.M.
 For Saigon.—Per *Ingrian*, to-morrow, the 12th instant, at 9.00 A.M.

For Shanghai.—Per *Kuonang*, on Monday, the 13th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
 For Straits and Calcutta.—Per *Kuonang*, on Monday, the 13th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Swatow, Amoy, & Fuchow.—Per *Namoa*, on Monday, the 13th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

ACTIV, Danish steamer, 355, N. C. Revabek, 5th Jan.—Haiphong 1st Jan, and Hoibow 3rd, General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

AMIGO, German steamer, 771, T. A. Bruhn, 9th Jan.—Mauritius 22nd Nov., Bombay 15th, Dec., and Singapore 28th, General.—Wieler & Co.

APERRAZ, German steamer, 1,475, Hohlmann, 9th Jan.—Nagasaki 5th Jan, Coal.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.

AVOCHIE, British steamer, 1,034, T. Rowin, 24th Dec.—Bangkok 12th Dec, Rice.—Morris & Co.

BENVENUE, British steamer, 1,495, Thompson, 9th Jan.—Kobe 21st Dec, Coals and General.—F. Naudin & Co.

CAMBODIA, British steamer, 1,061, Wildgoose, 31st Dec.—London, and Singapore 25th Dec, General.—Russell & Co.

CHINA, German steamer, 642, Bruhn, 30th Dec.—Singapore, and Hoibow 29th Dec, General.—Melchers & Co.

CHOW-CHOW-ROO, German steamer, 796, F. Flinder, 3rd Jan.—Swatow 3rd Jan, General.—Melchers & Co.

CHOY-SANG, British steamer, 1,194, Sawyer, 3rd Jan.—Java 23rd Dec, Sugar.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

DIAMANT, British steamer, 514, G. Taylor, 9th Jan.—Manila 3rd Jan, and Amoy 8th, General.—Russell & Co.

DIAMOND, British steamer, 1,038, J. Lampert, 9th Jan.—Penang and Singapore, 3rd Dec, General.—Bun Hong.

DIOMED, British steamer, 1,470, T. Bartlett, 10th Jan.—Singapore 31st Dec, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

FAIR, British steamer, 117, W. W. Allan.—Home Government tender.

FRICKER, Chinese steamer, 643, E. Piper, 9th Jan.—Formosa 6th Jan, and Singapore 2nd Jan, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FEICHING, British steamer, 594, James Price, 8th Jan.—Nagasaki 4th Jan, Coals.—W. Hewitt & Co.

GALIC, British steamer, 4,209, W. G. Pearce, 9th Jan.—San Francisco 14th Dec, and Yokohama 3rd Jan, Mails and General.—O. & S. S. Co.

GLORIOUS, British steamer, 1,837, E. F. Park, 10th Jan.—London 26th Nov., and Singapore 2nd Jan, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

JOHANN, German steamer, 427, H. Binge, 29th Dec.—Hoibow 27th Dec, General.—Wieler & Co.

KUNPAI, Chinese steamer, 601, Clifford, 4th Dec.—Wuhu 29th Nov., Rice.—C. M. S. N. Co.

KUTSANG, British steamer, 1,495, Young, 5th Dec.—Whampoa 3rd Dec, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LENNOK, British steamer, 1,127, Swinerton, 9th Jan.—Nagasaki 5th Jan, Coal and General.—Adams, Bell & Co.

MARIE, German steamer, 700, A. Handewald, 9th Jan.—Haiphong 6th Jan, General.—A. R. Marry.

MICHAEL, German steamer, 710, T. C. Matheson, 3rd Jan.—Swatow 2nd Jan, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

NANZING, British steamer, 808, B. Thomson, 3rd Jan.—Manila 11st Dec, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PEKING, German steamer, 554, F. Schulz, 6th Jan.—Whampoa 6th Jan, General.—Stemmen & Co.

PHU-QUOC, French steamer, 183, Vallin, 28th Sept.—Toulon 20th Sept, Coals.—Wing Tai & Co.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

TRIUMPH, German steamer, 675, P. Moos, 9th Jan.—Toulon 6th Jan, Salt and General.—Wieler & Co.

WING-SANG, British steamer, 1,517, A. de Ste. Croix, 7th Jan.—Calcutta 20th December, Penang 26th, and Singapore 29th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ZAMBESI, British steamer, 1,440, Parsons, 1st Jan.—Kobe 26th Dec, Coals and General.—Adams, Bell & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.
 CATHERINE, Danish brig, 251, Hansen, 20th Dec.—Donsil 5th Dec, Blackwood.—Stemmen & Co.

CHARGER, American ship, 1,379, D. S. Goodell, 28th June.—San Diego, Cal, 8th April, Ballast.—Russell & Co.

COLOMA, American bark, 843, C. M. Noyes, 9th Dec.—Portland 19th Oct, and Honolulu 8th Nov, Lumber.—Order.

CONQUEROR, American ship, 1,540, A. D. Lothrop, 17th June.—Amoy 14th June, Ballast.—Reuter, Brockmann & Co.

C. C. CHAPMAN, American ship, 1,570, A. J. Hichborn, 18th Dec.—Sandakan 24th Nov., Timber.—Order.

CUMBERLAND, British ship, 1,052, A. Waycott, 22nd Nov.—Middlesbro and Iron and Cake.—Dunn, Melbye & Co.

EMPREZE, British bark, 236, Wm. A. H. Allen, 19th Dec.—Freemantle 14th Nov, Sandalwood.—Stemmen & Co.

KALOKO, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination bulk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese Customs.

ESCORP, American bark, 634, R. G. Waterhouse, 10th Jan.—Rajang 10th Dec, Timber.—Captain.

GEORGETTA, American bark, 416, F. Kartie, 2nd Jan.—Albany, W.A., 15th Nov, Sandalwood.—Gillman & Co.

GREAT ADMIRAL, American ship, 1,497, J. F. Rowell, 30th Nov.—San Francisco 8th Oct, Flour.—Melchers & Co.

HANS, German schooner, 120, G. A. Hansen, 2nd Dec.—Matupi 25th Sept, General.—Blackhead & Co.

HEINRICH, German bark, 929, G. Blesener, 11th Dec.—Hamburg 13th July, General.—Carlowitz & Co.

ICEBERG, American ship, 1,131, Treat, 22nd Dec.—New York 18th July, Kerosene Oil.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

ISABEL, Norwegian bark, 1,65, S. Hegge, 14th Dec.—Shanghai 9th Dec, Ballast.—Order.

J. W. FILLERICH, German ship, 1,108, G. Meyer, 4th Dec.—Newcastle 26th Oct, Coals.—Captain.

KITTY, British bark, 602, H. Wilson, 30th Aug.—Portland, Oregon 9th July, Lumber.—D. Moss & Co.

LILLIE BAKER, American bark, 222, 22nd Dec.—Newcastle, N.S.W., and Nov., Coal.—Order.

LOREZ, Hawaiian bark, 750, M. Moreira, 21st Dec.—Albany, W.A., 9th Nov, Sandalwood.—Order.

N. M. SLADE, American bark, 535, J. C. Teixeira, 1st October.—Cebu 4th Sept, Sugar and Hemp.—Captain.

OSAKA, British bark, 517, T. Jones, 20th Dec.—Albany 16th Nov, Sandalwood.—Order.

REMBRANDT, American ship, 1,344, J. D. Falne, 22nd Dec.—New York 1st August, Kerosene Oil.—Russell & Co.

STAKE OF MAINE, American ship, 1,467, Nickels, 19th Dec.—New York 4th August, Petroleum.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

S. MENDEL, British bark, 1,171, Gower, 21st Dec.—Whampoa 21st Dec, General.—Wieler & Co.

SWAN, American brig, 250, Bude, 25th Dec.—Yap (Caroline Islands) 18th Dec, Ballast.—Moore and Stewart.

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Bellerophon	Liverpool	January 11th	Butterfield & Swire.
Glenlyon	London	January 11th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Shanghai	London	January 11th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Bengloe	London	January 12th	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Breconshire	London	January 13th	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Kashgar	Bombay	January 14th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Abysinia	Vancouver	January 15th	Adams, Bell & Co.
Marseilles	San Francisco	January 16th	Messageries Maritimes.
China	London	January 17th	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.
Benlawers	London	January 17th	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Tannadice	Port Darwin	January 17th	Russell & Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DISTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING
London, &c., via Suez Canal	Oriental	P. & O. S. N. Co.....	Jan. 15th, at noon.
London, via Suez Canal ...	Telamon	Butterfield & Swire.....	January 19th.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Saphalica	Messageries Maritimes.	Jan. 22nd, at noon.
Bremen, via Ports of Call.	Bayern	Melchers & Co.	Jan. 19th, at 10 a.m.
Haiphong, London, &c.	Denbighshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.....	About 20th Jan.
New York, via Suez Canal	Benledi	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Jan. 13th, at 2 p.m.
San Francisco, via Yhamo	Gaelic	P. & O. S. S. Co.	Jan. 18th, at 1 p.m.
San Francisco, via Yhamo	China	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Jan. 20th, at 1 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via I. & C.	Abyssinia	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Feb. 6th, at noon.
Port Darwin, &c.	Tinnam	Butterfield & Swire.....	Jan. 20th, at 4 p.m.
Queensland Ports, &c.	Sikh	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	January 23rd.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c.	Tannadice.....	Russell & Co.	Jan. 24th, at 4 p.m.
Calcutta, via Straits.	Kutsum	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Jan. 13th, at 3 p.m.
Singapore, Batavia, &c.	Almora	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About Jan. 13th.
Yokohama, via Nag., &c.	Verona.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Jan. 17th, daylight.
Kobe and Yokohama	Hengloe.	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	About Jan. 13th.
Kobe and Yokohama	Benlawers.	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	About Jan. 18th.
Kobe	Choyang	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Jan. 24th, at 4 p.m.
Nagasaki, Kobe, &c.	Breconshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	January 17th.
Shanghai, Kobe, &c.	Natal.	Messageries Maritimes.	About Jan. 16th.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Bellerophon	Butterfield & Swire.....	To-morrow.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Diomed	Butterfield & Swire.....	To-morrow, daylight.
Haiphong (direct).....	Marie.	A. R. Marty	To-morrow, daylight.
Coast Ports	Namoa	Douglas Lapmak & Co.	Jan. 14th, daylight.